



In re Application of: SKLAR et al.
Application No. 09/803,739
Filed: March 12, 2001
For: DEVICES AND HOUSINGS FOR TEST SAMPLE PREPARATION

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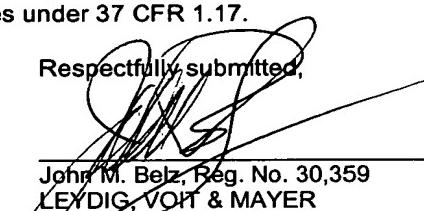
Sir:

- Small entity status is claimed for this application under 37 CFR 1.27.
- Petition for an extension of time for the period noted below, as well as for any additional period necessary to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 for the appropriate petition fee.
- Other:
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						SMALL ENTITY	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
TIME EXTENSION PETITION FEE		three-month		\$ 0.00		\$ 950.00		
		subtract time extension fee previously paid		(\$ 0.00)		(\$ 0.00)		
CLAIM FEE	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDT. CLAIM FEE	RATE	ADDT. CLAIM FEE
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- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-1216.
- Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
- Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,


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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 16, 2003, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.